

POLICY SUSPENSION OR VARIATION INSTRUMENT

GPA NEUTRAL SCHEME

1. PURPOSE AND CONTEXT

- 1.1. This instrument enables suspension or variation of College policies where this is reasonably necessary to respond appropriately to an emergency or an urgent circumstance.
- 1.2. The Approving Authority has deemed that suspension or variation to a Policy or Policies, as detailed below, is reasonably necessary to respond appropriately to the current COVID-19 virus pandemic.

2. DETAILS OF SUSPENSION OR VARIATION

2.1. Policy/policies affected:

- 2.1.1. Academic Pathway Programs Assessment Policy

2.2. Details of changes or suspension:

- 2.2.1. Assessment Policy - Clauses (34) and (35) that relate to graded and ungraded assessment in 700 series units (College Preparatory and University level units) and how this will be outlined in the learning guides.
- 2.2.2. The clauses listed above will be temporarily suspended. Students' assessments in 700 series units will continue to be graded. However, after they have received their final unit results they may choose to have a final passing grade converted to a non-graded pass (S) – which will not count towards the cumulative GPA for the course.
- 2.2.3. Note: Although a non-graded pass applies only to 700 series units, all Academic Pathway Programs students will be able to withdraw from units without academic penalty at any stage during the teaching session. If a student fails a unit, the fail grade will not be recorded. Instead, a withdrawal will be recorded on the student's academic transcript and this will not count towards their grade point average.

STATUS AND DETAILS

Commencement Date	24 April 2020
End Date Note: End date must but no longer than six months from Commencement Date, but this instrument may be extended or renewed for a further period of up to six months.	01 March 2021
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Position of Approval Authority	Chief Executive Officer
Endorsed by	The College Senior Management Team
Governing Authority	Western Sydney University Enterprises Board
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